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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q54629

Takashi ECHIGO, et al.

Appln. No. 09/319,384

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 2943

Examiner: Francisco C. Prats

Filed: June 4, 1999

For: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR TREATING A POROUS ARTICLE AND USE THEREOF

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Final Office Action of February 13, 2002, from May 13, 2002 to August 13, 2002.

A check for the statutory fee of \$920.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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